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Dear sirs,

I started programming a computer in 1959. At that time, there were no such things as an operating system. The computer barely had a compiler, and my first language was called SOAP (believe it or not). That was the first generation of computers.

The second generation was also introduced without an operating system. It did however had a piece of one called IOCS or the input/output control system. Very late in the life of the second generation computers, the IBM 1410 released a version of an operating system. It had a few more features that were also announced with the operating system announced with the IBM 360 computer.

The first true operating system was released with the IBM 360, and it took several years to make it truly work.

The reason I'm giving you this little piece of history, is to illustrate the fact that any operating system evolves over time by adding features to support newer technology. Whole new features were added when computer systems first went on-line to support communications.

Therefore I believe that Microsoft did not do anything wrong by adding features to Windows to support the internet, if fact, I believe that it would have been wrong NOT to support the internet. We must allow Microsoft to expand Windows to allow it's users to take advantage of new technology. I believe that the verdict that Microsoft did anything wrong was a mistake and should be reversed.

Sincenly.

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